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EASTER DAY.

Oh day of days! shall hearts set free
No "minstrel rapture" find for thee?
Thou art the sun of other days,
They shine by giving back thy rays:

Euthroned in thy sovereign sphere,
'Thou shedd'st thy light on all the year
Sun-days by thee more glorious break,
An Easter day in every week:

And week days following in their
The fulness of thy blessing gain (train
Till all, both resting and employ,
Be one Lord's day of holy joy.

Then wake, my soul, to high desires,
And earlier lights thine altar fires:
The world some hours is on her way,
Nor thinks on thee, thou blessed day.

Or, if she think, it is in scorn:
The vernal light of Easter morn
To her dark gaze no brighter seems
Than reason's or the law's pale beams.

'Where is your Lord?' she scornful asks
'Where is his hire? we know his tasks;
Sons of a king ye boast to be;
Let us your crowns and treasures see.'

We in the words of truth reply,
(An angel brought them from the sky,)
'Our crown, our treasure is not here,
'Tis stored above the highest sphere.

So is it still; to holy tears,
In lonely hours, Christ risen appears;
In social hours, who Christ would see,
Must turn all tasks to charity.

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For the *Sunbeam*.]

4 Boys in the Yosemite.

By the biggest of them.

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(Concluded.)

Well, my story is pretty well told for we met with no adventures I think. We came to Milltown such a hideous town and after our pretty green camp in the Yosemite how horridly bare and dirty it looked. We lunched at the hotel and went on to Lincon a town about ten miles from Stockton. There we missed the Boarding House Keeper; he was such a funny boy he always liked to play with little girls better than with boys, and so we found him playing with a little girl at the hotel, evidently to the annoyance of a gentleman who was with her. The Cook was shocked, he said, and gave quite a lecture to him. You see the Cook was a boy who never did anything of that kind himself, but I think it was because he was too fat and lazy to play. That night we camped out for the last time, as, although we might have had beds in the hotel, we agreed the open air was so much pleasanter. We got up in the morning before five, and jogged quietly into Stockton, where we were to take the boat for San Francisco. This part of the road was flat and after our Yosemite beauties we should have turned up our noses at almost anything else. Got to Stockton duly, and embarked wagon, horses and ourselves on

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board. We had a most excellent supper and sat up quite late as none of us felt very much like sleeping, so we made all sorts of plans for the future, and built Castles in the Air. Settled that we would go a trip to Europe some day and see all the world. Will it ever come to pass? Anyhow I think we gained in health and strength by our trip, and I know we had splendid fun, and all came back better friends if possible than when we started, which is more than all camping parties do, but you see we settled on each one's work at the start and each one did it, which is the great secret of a pleasant party. And now, fellows, take my advice. Save up your money as we did and you won't ever repent it

And so say all of us:

Gentleman from the South
Boarding House Keeper
Chamois
Cook.

(The End.)

Poisons and their Antidotes.

Continued.

POISONS.

Opium (laudanum, paregoric, salts of morphia, Godfrey's dordial, Dalby's carminative, soothing syrup, cholera mixtures), *aconite*, *belladonna*, *hemlock*, *stramonium*, *digitalis*, *tobacco*, *hyoscinamus*, *nux vomica*, *strychnine*.

Antidote.—Evacuate the stomach by the most active emetics, as mustard, alum, or sulphate of zinc. The patient should be kept in motion, and cold water dashed on the head and shoulders. Strong coffee must be given. The physician will use a stomach pump and electricity. In poisoning by *nux vomica* or *strychnine*, etc., chloroform or ether should be inhaled to quiet the spasms.

To be continued

THE PUZZLER.

CHARADE.

My first, loud chattering through the air,
Bounded 'mid tree-tops high,
Then saw his image mirror'd, where
My second murmured by.

Taking it for a friend, he strayed
T'wards where the stream did roll,
And was the sort of fool that's made
The first day of my whole.

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to see his father, and word was soon returned that Mr Lincoln would comply. In the meantime, Mr. Warren had improvised a kind of studio upon the south balcony of the White House. Mr. Lincoln soon came out, and, saying but a very few words, took his seat as indicated. After a single negative was taken he inquired, "Is that all, sir?" Unwilling to detain him longer than was absolutely necessary, Mr. Warren replied, "Yes sir," and the President immediately withdrew. At the time he appeared upon the balcony, the wind was blowing freshly, as his disarranged hair indicates, and as sunset was approaching, it was difficult to obtain a sharp picture. Six weeks later President Lincoln was dead, and it is doubtless true that this is the last photograph ever made of him.—*Century*.

LOCAL NEWS.

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All Sonoma is in a state of excitement over the wonderful performance of the prestidigitator Zamlock.

Mr. Heymanson came up on Thursday this week in order to give his pupils lessons before they departed for their vacation.

Mr. Steinberg has greatly improved the pianos. For bad the poor old organ is past tuning.

We are glad to see our old friend Mrs. Harvey and her little daughter; and hope the weather will improve during the remainder of their visit.

We have had a tremendous amount

of rain this week. Friday was one of the wettest days of the season. It poured in torrents all day. Willie Foye, Guillermo Luebbert, Carlos Yanes, Manuel Martinez and Charlie Goodwin went off in the morning to clear out a boat at Mc. Gills and before their return in the afternoon they were thoroughly soaked.

All was whirl and confusion at L.G., Thursday afternoon; when a good third of the household cleared out for San Francisco. Trunks, valises, packages, umbrellas, overcoats, big people and little, and one canine were in readiness at 3.45 when Landsborough and Rupes mammoth barouches drawn by four powerful steeds rolled up. And by Archie Wilson's patent step, all were soon in, and comfortably seated and amid cheers, rumbled away to the station, to take the train for San Francisco.

The names of those absent for the Easter holiday, are:

Miss Georgie Landsborough, Miss Alice Winters, Mr. James, C. Wiley, W. Whittier, J. Torrence, W. Catton, K. Gray, R. Mason, F. Lewis, B. and L. Tilden, I. Greene and W. and Deede Taylor.

Miss Dillon left us for San Francisco Thursday afternoon, after quite a long stay.

Fortunately it was fine this morning so the children had a chance of having a grand hunt for the Easter eggs which were hidden around the premises by Mrs. Harvey and Miss D. Clayton.

It was fun watching the frantic manner in which some of the younger rushed around some lucky enough to get five; others had to content themselves with one.

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CONUNDRUMS.

1. What is that which works when it plays and plays when it works?
2. Why is the last conundrum like a monkey?
3. Which has most legs, a cow or no cow?
4. Why do old men wear mittens?
5. What great astronomer is like Venus's chariot?
6. What's the best kind of agricultural fair?
7. How does a tipsy man generally look?
8. When was wit a father.

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ANSWERS. CHARADE.

Cares---caress.

CONUNDRUMS.

1. Because he never reaches the age of discretion.
2. When he has a vacancy for a pupil.
3. Because he wishes to accustom the public to steel (steal) pens, and then tries to persuade them that they do [right] write.
4. Because it's frequently dew (due) in the morning, and mist (missed) at night.

EXTRACTS.

The remains of Ah Sam, the Chinaman of the Jeanette, have traveled 15,000 miles in search of a grave, but are not yet in their final resting place. They will soon be taken across the United States to San Francisco, 3,000 miles, and then across the Pacific, 10,000 miles further, to the old home of China, thus making the circuit of the globe

and one-fourth of the second circuit. He was brought from Asia and goes back to Asia.

The Czar has a teaset cut from amber block; worth more than its weight in gold.

There are now 228 submarine telegraph cables, all told, some of them merely connecting islands with the main shore.

LINCOLN'S LAST PORTRAIT.

Soon after President Lincoln's second inauguration, rumors of plots and dangers caused his friends to urge upon him the necessity of a guard. He finally consented to the presence of such a body, and accordingly an audience with him became a matter of some difficulty.

On the afternoon of the 6th of March Mr. H. F. Warren, a photographer of Waltham, Mass., sought a presentation to Mr. Lincoln, but found, after consulting the guard, that an interview could be had on that day only in a somewhat irregular manner. After some conversation with the officers in charge, who became convinced of his loyalty, Mr. Warren was admitted within the lines, and, at the same time, was given to understand that the surest way to obtain an audience with the President was through an intercession of his little son "Tad." The latter was a great pet with the soldiers, and was constantly at the barracks. He soon made his appearance, mounted on his pony. He and the pony were soon placed in position and photographed, after which Mr. Warren asked "Tad" to tell his father that a man had come all the way from Boston who was particularly anxious to see him, and to obtain a sitting from him. "Tad" went

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FUN.

Secretary—"Here old man is your
witness fee." Old man—"Thank you
very much. As I am an old man, with
few opportunities of earning a penny, I
hope you will call on me again when
you need a witness."

Nurse—"Come, Willie, didn't you
hear your mother tell you to come right
into the house?" Willie—"Stop mind-
ing me of it. I'se twying to fordet
it."

Pat. when asked if he had a pleasant
time at the picnic, replied: "I'll not de-
save ye, soor; it was a dull time; sorra
a black eye on the ground till after 3
o'clock."

Apothecary—"You want this pre-
scription filled, I understand."

Patrick—"Divil a bit of it, surr! It's
the bottle I would have filled."

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